

NOTICE

The Indiana District Conference meets at South Bend, Oct. 4, 5, 6, 7, 1898.

Unless you have received statistical blanks write to secretary at once.

Elect your delegates at once.

Let ministers secure their credentials and endeavor to the utmost to be present, but if not possible return your credential that you may be properly enrolled as a member of the State Conference.

Ministers presenting credentials properly signed are entitled to act as delegates by virtue of their office.

Each congregation is entitled to one delegate for every 25 members or fraction thereof. If you fail to receive blank credentials write.

Send full quota of delegates. Come one, come all.

Pray for the success of our Conference.

Send any item of information to Secretary.

If you have any inquiries, be free to write.

WM. H. MILLER.

Brighton, Ind.

Communion Notice

There will be communion services in the North Liberty, Ind., congregation the second Saturday in October.

Virginia Notes

A two week's meeting at Mt. Pleasant, which was conducted by brother Joseph I. Hall closed last Sunday night. The result was one baptism, (an old grandfather,) and four confessions, and three who reconsecrated their lives to Christ. Brother Hall did the work faithfully and made many friends and lifted the membership to a higher standard of religion. May the Lord bless his efforts wherever he may labor.

Our brethren at Mt. Zion church are expecting a good time spiritually in the near future from brother J. M. Tombaugh, of Hagerstown, Md., who has promised to hold a protracted meeting for them. Brother Tombaugh needs no introduction to the Brethren church for he is a part and parcel of the church.

We expect to hold a protracted meeting at Round Hill church in October. May the Lord bless the labors of both meetings.

The Washington City church should have a gift from every member of the Brethren church. Not one should fail to help to build a church at the capitol of our nation. We need one at Washington above all other places, and if each member of the church or each pastor or other person were to canvass their congregations, it could easily be done. The women and children ought to be made sensible of the fact that their mite is quite a factor in the good work. In the building of a church in this part of the state by a certain denomination, the women alone raised over twelve hundred dollars toward its erection. Now if a country church in a country town can accomplish so much, what may all the women of the Brethren church do? The real cause may or may not be that our hearts

are not in the cause, but I am inclined to believe that the real cause is that our hearts are not in the work. When our hearts are in it, our hands are also, and our tongues, and when the heart gets the man to work, the work is done. I know we have been pressed for funds for other causes, but the cheapest and most sensible and economical way to do in the Washington City case is to build a church and stop the rents. We had best strain ourselves to do it one year, rather than have to pay rent for an unlimited time.

Brother Lyon is a man whom I like. He is a conservative man, and such men should command the respect of every one. Fire eaters and sore heads and big heads are deserving little or no respect from any one. May the Lord help Brother Lyon to build this church by opening the eyes of our brethren.

GEO. A. COPP.

Fisher's Hill, Va.

Twelve Mile, Ind.

We are more than ever convinced of the fact this morning that if we are devoted to the work of our Master, that we may even get good out of evil sometimes. While we were so suddenly called away from the Conference on Saturday afternoon to attend a trial in Justice Court as witness, it called us to New Enterprise on the day of regular appointment at this place, and while we had announced that there would be no services, yet we had a fair congregation yesterday morning and a good congregation last evening and at the close of the service, one noble young lady made that good confession, and will be baptized at our next meeting. One who will be a great help to the church because of her musical talent. But don't think that I am advocating the thought that we must do evil that good may grow out of it. Nay, verily. God bless our beloved brotherhood. Fraternally yours,

D. A. HOPKINS.

At The Custer Church

We began meeting on Friday evening, Aug. 5, Inst. Brother A. J. Miller of Boone, Pa., preached for us at this place Saturday evening, Sabbath afternoon and evening, that we might fill our appointments at Berlin and Downey, Sabbath morning and evening. On Monday evening I returned, and notwithstanding the rain and mud the meeting increased in interest and in numbers until the house was almost filled with people eager to hear the gospel. The meeting continued over Sabbath, and on the following Wednesday evening a few of the Brethren and sisters met at the home of Brother Miller to hold a communion for Sister Engleky who is aged and feeble and could not attend the meetings.

On Thursday morning we met at the church for baptismal services, and those who had become willing to accept Jesus as their Redeemer and Savior were told what they must do to become followers of the Master. They gladly received the word, and five

young men were baptized according to the commission and arose to walk in newness of life. We then returned to the church where they were confirmed by prayer and the laying on of hands and were received members into the Brethren church. Another invitation was then given and a sister from the Evangelical church came forward for admission by relation. She had been baptized by the Brethren some years ago. Thus six were added to the church, about one hundred dollars subscribed toward the payment of the balance due on the church and the membership greatly revived and encouraged.

We believe that others would have united with the church could the meetings have continued a few days longer. But I was obliged to close in order to begin as had been announced at the Walker church on the 18, Inst. Truly "the harvest is great but the laborers are few." These persons were from six different families and among the best in the community. May the good Lord richly bless them, and may they become a great power in his hands for good.

M. C. MEYERS, Pastor.

Berlin, Pa.

Program Elkhart County Union Meeting

To be held in Goshen, Indiana, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 24 and 25, 1898.

SATURDAY, 10:00 A. M.

Devotional exercise, Ida Simmonds.

Paper by Maggie Smith. Topic: "Bitter, sweet."

Song.

Paper by Cora Culp. Topic: "The Child."

Written reports of churches to be furnished by their secretaries.

SATURDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Devotional exercise, E. Fryman.

Paper by Rev. A. R. Bemenderfer. Topic: "A More Thorough Church Organization."

Discussion of paper opened by Rev. A. S. Menaugh.

Duet, Misses Hattie and Cora Culp.

Recitation, Pearl Leedy.

Paper, "Individual Responsibility," by Rev. L. O. Hubbard.

Discussion of paper, Mary Metzger.

Query box.

SATURDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Communion service.

SUNDAY

9:30 A. M., Sunday-school, J. A. Riley, Superintendent.

10:30 A. M., Sermon, Rev. A. R. Bemenderfer.

7:30 P. M., Sermon, Rev. A. S. Menaugh.

Conemaugh, Pa.

In the absence of our pastor, brother J. F. Koontz, I was called at 2 A. M. Monday, August 29th, to anoint our brother Aaron Goughnour who has been sick for sometime. He thought he was going to die and he sent for us to anoint him. Brethren this is a wrong conception of the word; it is not if any are going to die, but is any sick among you let him call for the elders of the church and let them pray over him anointing him